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 --40. The mixer bowl system of claim 31 wherein said bracket arrangement is coupled to said bowl body.--.

Cancel claim 23 without prejudice.

Remarks

Claims 24, 26-28 and 31-33 have been amended, claim 23 has been canceled, and new claims 34-40 have been added. Marked-up copies of the amended claims, showing the changes thereto, accompanies this amendment.

The amendments and new claims are presented to further define the claimed invention. Claim 31 has been amended to clarify that the bracket arrangement need to necessarily be coupled to the bowl body, as disclosed, for example, at page 7, line 24-page 8, line 2 of the originally-filed specification.

Prompt and favorable examination of the application is requested.

A check to cover the fee for the additional claims accompanies this Amendment. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required, including the fee for any extension of time, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 20-0809.

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24. (Once Amended) The mixer system of claim [23] 34 further including an actuating assembly coupled to said mixer body and wherein said sensor includes a switch coupled to said mixer body and said bowl includes a protrusion located on an outer surface thereof, and wherein when said bowl is in said closed position said protrusion engages said actuating assembly and urges said actuating assembly into contact with said switch to cause said switch to be triggered.

26. (Once Amended) The mixer system of claim [23] 24 wherein said bowl includes an upper edge, and wherein protrusion is located adjacent to said upper edge.

27. (Once Amended) The mixer system of claim [23] 34 further including a drive for raising and lowering [said yoke and] said bowl relative to said [mixer body] rotatable output component and a control [circuit] unit for receiving an output of said sensor and responsively preventing said bowl from being raised when said bowl is not in said closed position.

28. (Once Amended) The mixer system of claim [23] 34 further including a control [circuit] unit for receiving an output of said sensor and responsively preventing said motor from driving said rotatable output component when said bowl is not in said closed position.

31. (Once Amended) A mixer bowl system comprising:
a bowl body; and
a bracket arrangement [coupled to and] extending from bowl body, said bracket arrangement defining at least a first opening and a second opening, the first opening being vertically spaced from said second opening and aligned therewith to define a pivot axis[; and
a locking bracket coupled to and extending from said bowl body].

32. (Once Amended) The mixer bowl system of claim 31 where said bracket arrangement is defined by first bracket coupled to and extending from said bowl body and having

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said first opening and a second bracket coupled to and extending from said bowl body and having said second opening.

33. (Once Amended) The mixer bowl of system claim 31 wherein said bracket arrangement is defined by a single bracket which is coupled to and extends from said bowl body and defines both said first opening and said second opening.

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